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**MAINTAINING AND NURTURING
EXCELLENCE IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

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PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- 1) How old were you when you decided that science/technology/or engineering was what you wanted to study?

Age: 17

- 2) Was there a key individual who influenced your interest in science/technology/engineering?

Yes X No _____

If yes, at what age did this individual significantly influence you?

Age: 22

- 3) This individual was a (circle as many as are appropriate):

☒ A. Teacher
☐ B. Parent
☐ C. Family member
☒ D. Scientist/Technologist/Engineer
☐ E. Entrepreneur
☐ F. Family friend
☐ G. Other _____

- 4) This key individual captured your interest in science/technology/or engineering because...

☐ A. You wanted to be like them
☒ B. You were involved in some of their projects
☐ C. The recognition they achieved attracted you to the field
☐ D. The tangible rewards attracted you to the field
☐ E. Other _____

- 5) Did you have a mentor? (Three)

Yes X No _____

If yes, at what age? 22 to 33

- 6) How important was this mentor to your overall career development? (Please circle one):
 Extremely important Very Somewhat Slightly Not at all important
- 7) Are you currently mentoring anyone?
 Yes X No _____
- 8) Did you have an internship in science/technology/engineering, etc.?
 Yes X No _____ *elective research in medical school*
- 9) Your internship was provided by a (an)?
☒ A. University
☐ B. Industry
☐ C. Government Agency
☐ D. Other _____
- 10) How important are internships in nurturing an interest in science/technology/engineering for students? (Please circle one)
Extremely important Very Somewhat Slightly Not at all important
- 11) Did you receive a scholarship to pursue studies in:
☒ A. Science
☐ B. Technology
☐ C. Engineering
☒ D. Other MEDICINE
☐ E. I did not receive a scholarship
- 12) What is the best way to expose students to science/ technology and engineering?
☐ A. Science centers/Museums
☒ B. Internships
☒ C. Mentors
☐ D. Science classes at school - *if improved*
☐ E. Clubs and related organizations (junior achievement, etc.)
☒ F. Educational Television
☐ G. Science and technology faires
☐ H. Other _____
- 13) By communicating their success stories, recipients of the National Medals of Science and Technology can play an important role in inspiring students to pursue careers in science and technology? (Please circle one)
 strongly agree agree disagree strongly disagree
- 14) Recipients of the National Medals of Science and Technology can inspire students by:
☒ A. Getting involved with their local schools (teaching, mentoring)
☐ B. Giving speeches
☐ C. Writing books/ articles
☒ D. Video/ TV presentations
☐ E. Other _____

15)

Assuming it is imperative that more American students need to choose career paths in science and technology, please circle a number from 1-5 in order of effectiveness at achieving this goal (use "1" as the highest ranking and "5" as the lowest).

To inspire more students to pursue science and technology career paths, we must increase:

	Most Effective		Least Effective		
Involvement of scientists and technologists with students at/or before the Middle school level	1	2	3	4	5
Corporate participation in the education process	1	2	3	4	5
"Hands-on" experience in science classes	1	2	3	4	5
Student exposure to careers available through an education in science, math, or engineering	1	2	3	4	5
Increase the number of science and math classes required for high school graduation	1	2	3	4	5
Increase the number of science/technology/engineering/math classes required for college graduation	1	2	3	4	5
Increase scholarships awarded to high school students who choose to pursue studies in science/ technology	1	2	3	4	5
Increase government grants awarded to individuals under 30	1	2	3	4	5
Other: <i>Transmit the excitement of science</i>	1	2	3	4	5
Other: <i>Honors courses in Sci. & math.</i>	1	2	3	4	5
Other: _____	1	2	3	4	5

Please answer as completely as possible these questions relating to your career and the innovation for which you received the National Medal. For additional space, please use the back of this page.

16) What advice would you give to a young student wanting to follow in your footsteps?

1. Follow your interests.
2. Aim High
3. Emphasize the fundamentals - math, physics, chemistry
4. Choose outstanding scientists as mentors

17) What should scientists and technologists be doing to nurture students capable of achieving innovations similar to yours?

1. Encourage independent thinking & experimentation
2. Make science enjoyable
3. Recognize & reward talent
4. "Teach" rigor and integrity by example